

Phoenix Program (Second Start)

The Phoenix Program provides undergraduate students who left Wayne State University on Probation or Dismissal with the opportunity to petition for return under a second-start policy. To be eligible for such admission, the student must not have enrolled at Wayne State University for at least three consecutive years, immediately prior to petition for the Phoenix Program. Petitions for re-entry are decided by the Dean of the School or College in which the student is matriculated or seeks to enter. With the approval of the Dean, the student and an academic advisor develop an academic contract, and the advisor closely monitors the student through the first twelve credits of course work.

To return to regular status, students must complete twelve semester credits with a grade of C or better within two years under the Phoenix Program (NOTE: a grade of C-minus is considered to be lower than a C). Students will be expected to complete both the general education and degree requirements in effect at the time of their return to the University. In addition to earn a Wayne State degree, the student must have thirty graded credits of which five courses or fifteen credits must be in the major and/or core. The thirty credits may include credits taken prior to admission to the Phoenix Program in consultation with the academic advisor. Should students earn any grade below C in their first twelve credits in the Phoenix Program, they will be excluded from the University. To maintain the integrity of students' academic records, previous course work will remain on the transcripts; however, the credits and grade point average (g.p.a.) will be adjusted to reflect the grade point average earned since the start of the Phoenix Program.

For information about the Phoenix Program, students should contact the Dean's office of the School or College in which they have matriculated or wish to enter.